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SUBJECT: ILO WORLD EMPLOYMENT CONFERENCE

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1. IN REVIEWING ILO WORLD EMPLOYMENT CONFERENCE (WEC) WITH EMBOFF, SAYUTI HASIBAN, HEAD OF MANPOWER DIVISION OF INDONEISA NATIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLANNING BOARD AND ADVISOR TO INDONESIA DELEGATION TO WEC, DESCRIBED IN SOME DETAIL PROCEDURES AND PROBLEMS IN ARRIVING AT UNANIMOUS REPORT AND ASSESSED VALUE OF CONFERENCE IN RATHER LIMITED TERMS.

2. GROUP OF 77 HE SAID WAS POORLY PREPARED FOR CONFERENCE AND BADLY DIVIDED, BOTH OVER PROCEDURAL AND SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES. MEETINGS OF GROUP OF 77 TO ADOPT SEPARATE POSITIONS ON TOPICS FROM THOSE PREPARED BY CONFERENCE-WORKING GROUPS WERE, HE SAID "UNFAIRLY" DOMINATED BY ALGERIANS, CUBANS, AND SEVERAL OTHER REPRESENTATIVES OF LATIN AMERICAN GOVERNMENTS. HASIBUAN APPALLED BY VOLUBILITY OF LATINS. ASEAN COUNTIRES, HE CLAIMED, LED BY INDONESIA, WERE "MODERATING" FORCE IN GROUP OF 77 MEETINGS. SOVIET UNION, HE HAD HEARD, SOUGHT TO MODERATE CUBANS IN ORDER TO ASSIST IN

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RECONCILINH GROUP OF 77 AND CONFERENCE WORKING GROUP REPORTS.

3. IN ASSESSING VALUE OF WEC, HASIBUAN DESCRIBED EDUCATIONAL VALUE OF PREPARING FOR CONFERENCE (INCLUDING HE SAID FOR THE MANPOWER MINISTER, WHOSE ACADEMIC TRAINING AT BERKELEY WAS IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE), AND IN ABSORBING THE MANY PAPERS ISSUED BY ILO ON VARIOUS TECHNICAL TOPICS. CONFERENCE ITSELF HE FELT MAY HAVE SOME VALUE IN DEVELOPING OR REAFFIRMING IN WORLD ORGANIZATION THE CONCEPT OF EMPLOYMENT AND INCOME AS PRIORITY GOALS OF DEVELOPMENT. INDONESIA, HE SAID, WAS THREE YEARS AHEAD OF THE CONFERENCE, AS ITS SECOND FIVE YEAR PLAN PREPARED IN 1974 DID CITE THESE AS PRIORITIES IN DEVELOPMENT GOALS.

4. IMPLEMENTATION OF EMPLOYMENT AND INCOME CONCEPTS HE STRESSED IS MORE DIFFICULT PROBLEM. HERE HE SAW LITTLE IF ANY VALUE SERVED BY THE CONFERENCE.

5. HE DID NOT BELIEVE ILO GOVERNING BODY IS APPROPRIATE GROUP TO CARRY OUT RECOMMENDATIONS AT CONFERENCE. ALL OF CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS ARE NOT REPRESENTED ON GB, HE EXPLAINED, AND ADDED THAT ILO/GB IS MORE CONCERNED WITH TRADITIONAL WORK OF ILO.

6. HASIBUAN HAD NO COMMENTS ON U.S. POSITIONS, BUT THOUGHT THEY MIGHT HAVE BEEN PRESENTED MORE EFFECTIVELY AT CONFERENCE AND IN WORKING GROUPS.

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